

1. (AMENDED)

Sweeping apparatus comprising support means for supporting a brush for rotation about a generally horizontal axis and means for mounting said support means on a vehicle, wherein said support means comprises first and second arms means for moving said **first second** arm with respect to said **second first** arm between a first position wherein said **first second** arm is spaced from said **second first** arm by a distance such that said brush is received between said arms and a second position wherein said **first second** arm is spaced from said **second first** arm such that said brush is released from between said arms drive means mounted on said first arm by universal joint means for engaging one end of said brush and for rotating said brush about an axis extending between said first and second arms and idler means mounted on said second arm by universal joint means for engaging an opposite end of said brush.

REMARKS

A. Status Of Claims

Claims 1-10 were issued in the Letters Patent and are now pending in this reissue application.

B. Citation of Prior Art

Applicant is enclosing a citation of prior art (Form PTO-892) for consideration by the examiner.

A copy of each of the references identified in the citation of prior art (Form PTO-892) is enclosed herewith.

C. Claim 1

Claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 4,926,517 recites means for moving said **first arm** with respect to said **second arm**. Furthermore, claim 1 of U.S. Patent No. 4,926,517 recites drive means mounted on said **first arm**.

FIGS. 1, 4 & 5 of U.S. Patent No. 4,926,517 illustrate means for moving said **arm 8** with

respect to said ***arm 6***. Furthermore, FIGS. 1, 4 & 5 of U.S. Patent No. 4,926,517 illustrate drive means mounted on ***arm 6***.

Claim 1 of U.S. Patent 4,926,517 contains a typographical error for the reason that the term ***first arm*** is interchanged with the term ***second arm*** in three occurrences within claim 1. Claim 1 as issued in U.S. Patent 4,926,517 is not supported by the specification and drawings of U.S. Patent 4,926,517 because the term ***first arm*** is interchanged with the term ***second arm*** in three occurrences within claim 1.

The accompanying declaration of the inventor states the interchanged of the term ***first arm*** and the term ***second arm*** in three occurrences within claim 1 was made through inadvertence and without any deceptive intent. The declaration states that this interchanged of the term ***first arm*** and the term ***second arm*** was first brought to the attention of the inventor on or about December 27, 2002. The declaration states further that the inventor does not specifically know or recall how the term ***first arm*** was interchanged with the term ***second arm*** in three occurrences within claim 1.

Claim 1 (AMENDED) is being submitted in this reissue application to correct the typographical interchange of the term ***first arm*** and the term ***second arm*** in three occurrences within claim 1. Claim 1 (AMENDED) in this reissue application is identical to the original claim 1 except for interchanging the term ***first arm*** with the term ***second arm*** in three occurrences within claim 1. Claim 1 (AMENDED) in this reissue application is for the sole purpose of correcting an obvious typographical error in claim 1 as originally issued by the United States Patent Office.

Claim 1 (AMENDED) in this reissue application is supported by the specification and drawings in U.S. Patent 4,926,517. Furthermore, the scope of the claims as now presented for consideration by the United States Patent Office is within the scope of the original invention as set forth in the original application. In addition, the scope of the claims as now presented for

consideration by the United States Patent Office is not enlarged in scope in any manner.

D. Additional Fees

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Applicant verily believes claim 1 is in condition for allowance and favorable action is respectfully requested. The undersigned attorney of record cordially invites any telephonic communications from the examiner that may assist the examiner in the examination and to expedite the allowance and issuance of Reissue Letters Patent on the subject invention.

Respectfully submitted,

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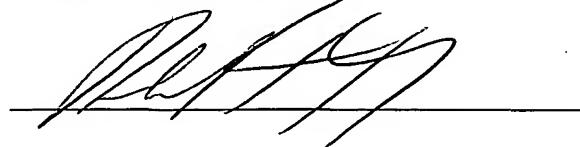
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